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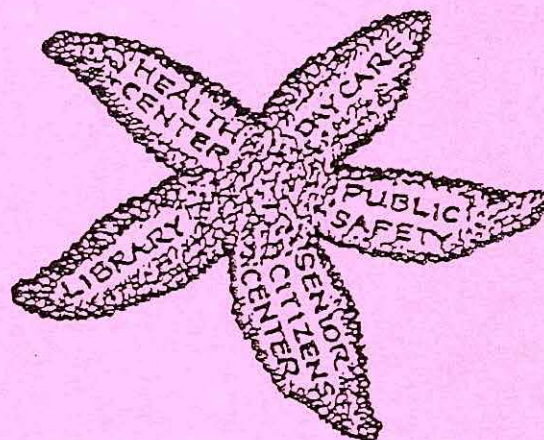
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# Peaks Island STAR



Newsletter of the Island's Service Agencies & other Community News

August 2012

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Issue 8

## Calendar of Events

### August

1	"Stories are Tellin" with Guy Peartree as Frederick Douglas, Fifth Maine, \$10	7:30pm
4	TEIA Annual Fair	10am
	Songwriters By the Sea, featuring Heather Pierson & Adam Nordell, Fifth Maine, \$10	7:30pm
	Family Film, 6 pm; Feature Film, 8 pm, FREE, Community Room	6, 8 pm
6,7	Lions Club Variety Show, Greenwood Gardens, \$5/\$2, Info: 766-2636 or 650-3016	7 pm
7	Story & Craft Finale with Mrs. Crowley-Rockwell, 5-8 year-olds, Community Room	7pm
8	"A Twist of Faith," author talk and book signing by John Donnelly, Community Room	7pm
	Island Musicians in Concert, Fifth Maine, \$5	8pm
12	Art on the Porch, Fifth Maine, (also coffee, sweets & lunch)	10am-3pm
13	Seniors Pot Luck Luncheon, Fifth Maine, Open to All Island Seniors	12 noon
11	Songwriters By the Sea featuring Eric Taylor, Fifth Maine, \$10	7:30pm
	Family Film, 6 pm; Feature Film, 8 pm, FREE, Community Room	6, 8 pm
14	Blood Drive at CBL Terminal, For appt. call 1-800-Red-Cross	8am-1pm
15	Friends of Peaks Island Library Annual Meeting: Author Scott Nash talk about his new YA novel, <i>The High Skies Adventures of Blue Jay the Pirate</i> , Community Room	7pm
16	Fifth Maine, Annual Meeting	7pm
18	Jammin' with Ronda Dale, Fifth Maine, donation	7:30pm
	Family Film, 6 pm; Feature Film, 8 pm, FREE, Community Room	6, 8 pm
19	One Enchanted Evening, dinner soiree at TEIA, \$40, benefits PICW- info: 221-3445	5:30pm
22	The Peaks Island Chorale in "Sea Stories," Fifth Maine, \$5	8pm
25	Songwriters by the Sea featuring Ted DeMille & Sorcha with Jo Sorrel, Fifth Maine, \$10	7:30pm
	Family Film, 6 pm; Feature Film, 8 pm, FREE, Community Room	6, 8 pm
26	Truth About Daisies with Ronda Dale & Friends, Fifth Maine, donation	TBD

## **Want to Keep in Touch All Year?**

If you would like to have the STAR mailed to you starting in September, please bring or mail \$8 with your name and mailing address to the library, 129 Island Avenue, Peaks Island, Maine 04108. Checks should be made out to the Peaks Island STAR. Your subscription will run September 2008 through June 2009. We do not mail the STAR in July and August.



## Peaks Island Health Center August Update to Our Island Community:

- Things are on track for the re-opening of our Peaks Island Health Center as a fully functioning department of Maine Medical Center in early August.
- Kitty Gilbert NP is currently being oriented to Maine Medical's electronic health record.
- Time Warner cable and the Informatics team from Maine Medical are in the process of installing new cables and state-of-the-art systems to facilitate all communication requirements.
- Health Center board members have been meeting with individuals around the island to update everyone on the clinic status and to assist patients with interim care needs.
- We appreciate everyone's patience during this transition as we prepare to welcome Maine Med to Peaks and a long term partnership in caring for our island community.
- As soon as the opening date is confirmed we will post on island e-mail distribution lists, place posters on bulletin boards and communicate to all island contacts.

Thank-you,

Marge Powers (on behalf of the Health Center Board)

### PEAKS ISLAND TAX AND ENERGY ASSISTANCE

This article has been very difficult for me to write. Peaks Island Tax and Energy Assistance will begin our eighth year of service without the resources we will need to assist folks as needed. With no money but much enthusiasm a group came together to find ways to assist permanent homeowners to pay their extraordinary property taxes. Twice a year, every year, we have met that mission and added a second mission, energy assistance. In all that time we kept moving forward and have put forth time and energy to make PITEA a reality. During the last fiscal year, July 1, 2011 to June 30<sup>th</sup> 2012, we raised over \$20,700 and paid out almost \$20,000 for assistance.

Our raffle of a golf cart has not brought in the revenue needed to start off the year. We face some challenging decisions but the committee all agreed that PITEA will continue.. The property tax statements will be in the mail soon and the applications will come to the Clergy for approval. Folks will need oil, propane, wood and electricity as they think ahead to fall and winter. Therein lies the difficulty. We must ask for donations to keep going this fall. We must ask the people who have helped us to reach our goals for their assistance. The committee will be working a little harder to keep our fund going. We are prepared to raise funds through our Loaf and Ladle Dinners that will begin in September. Our Market America program is ongoing and each \$300 check is used to provide energy assistance.

The need for assistance has not diminished. We are anticipating an economic upswing but so far this has been slow to materialize. Peaks Island has proven that we can assist our neighbors to remain in their homes and to keep safe and warm throughout the year. If you wish to help, you may call 766-0067 or reach us at P O Box 126, Peaks island.



## **August at the Peaks Island Branch Library**

in the Community Building    766-5540    email [peaks@portland.lib.me.us](mailto:peaks@portland.lib.me.us)  
Hours Open: Tues 2-8 Wed 10-4 Fri 10-2 Sat 8-12

**Summer Reading for Adults** continues until August 31, so keep reading and turning in your punch cards. Help us maintain our reputation as an island of readers. E-books, audiobooks, and print books are all books.

**First Tuesdays Book Discussion:** September 4, at 7 pm, in the Community Room. Read *To Kill a Mockingbird*, by Harper Lee, and come with ideas and suggestions for books you would like to read for the rest of the year. There is a heavy demand on library copies of this title, so if you need a copy, please request it as soon as possible. We may have to get them through MaineCat.

**Story and Craft Finale** with Mrs. Crowley-Rockwell is on Tuesday, August 7, at 7 pm. The program is geared toward 5 to 8 year-olds. Those who have attended in July have had a rich experience. Thank you to Mrs. C-R for her gift of time and talent to encourage our young readers.

### **Friends of the Peaks Island Branch Library**

First, a big thank you to all who helped to make the book sale a success. Those who worked on the sale, those who brought books, and those who bought books all contributed to one of the island's favorite events.

**Author Event:** Wednesday, August 8, 7 pm. John Donnelly, son of Mike and Mary Donnelly, will talk about his newly published book: *A Twist of Faith, An American Christian's Quest to Help Orphans in Africa*. John, who has traveled in Africa as a reporter for the Boston Globe, chronicles the story of David Nixon, a carpenter from North Carolina, and his work among the people of Malawi.

**Annual Meeting Program:** Wednesday, August 15, 7 pm. Peaks Author Scott Nash will talk about the making of *The High Skies Adventures of Blue Jay the Pirate*, his first novel, scheduled for release September 25. Guaranteed to be a fun program for children and adults.

**REMINDER: Friends Memberships** run from book sale to book sale, so if you missed the book sale, you can join or renew your memberships anytime at the library: \$2 for an individual; \$5 for a family.

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### **Homestart News**

Home Start, a Peaks Island volunteer organization formed in 2003, is very pleased to announce the sale, on July 19, 2012, of the two additional lots created from its 18 Luther Street property to Volunteers of America (VOA). VOA, with funding from the Maine State Housing Authority's special set-aside for affordable homes on Maine islands, will build and manage two new, energy-efficient, 3-bedroom, 2-bath homes to be built on these lots. These two new homes will be neighbors of Home Start's existing affordable-rental property at 18 Luther Street.

Volunteers of America is the same organization that developed, owns, and manages the Faye Garman House, the 12-unit senior housing apartment building on Central Avenue. The plans for these two new homes were first shown to the Peaks Island community in January 2010. Designed by the Portland, Maine firm, Kaplan Thompson Architects, they are being built by the modular home builder, Keiser Homes, of Oxford, Maine. Their design is shown on Keiser Homes website, under Modular Zero, the name of its energy efficient line of new homes, named Peaks ([www.keisermaine.com/homes/models/](http://www.keisermaine.com/homes/models/)).

These new homes will be rented to income-qualified families and will remain forever affordable through deed restrictions. VOA will receive the applications for eligibility for these homes.

Construction is expected to begin early this fall. For more information about the rental of these homes, keep looking at the Star and the Island Times.



## FIFTH MAINE REGIMENT MUSEUM

P.O. Box 41  
Peaks Island, Maine 04108

(207) 766-3330 • [fifthmaine@juno.com](mailto:fifthmaine@juno.com)

The Fifth Maine will be hosting Frederick Douglass, one of the best known abolitionists of the Civil War era on Wednesday August 1. As portrayed by storyteller/historian Guy Peartree, we'll learn about Douglass's life from his birth into slavery, his education, escape from slavery, and ascendancy as America's foremost black abolitionist. The presentation is written, directed and acted by Mr. Peartree who has been immersed in the work of storytelling since 1989. ***Frederick Douglass: Stories Are Tellin'*** begins at 7:30 pm and is appropriated for both children and adults. \$10 per person at the door.

The vastly popular **Art on the Porch** is slated for Sunday August 12 from 10 am – 3 pm. As always there will be a wide variety of art – painting, sculpture, fiber arts, photography, jewelry etc – for your shopping pleasure. Coffee and home-baked goodies will be available in the morning along with hamburgers, sausages and hot dogs from the grills. Shop, eat, and enjoy the view from our beautiful seaside garden.

Hope to see you at the Fifth!

**PEAKS ISLAND CHILDREN'S WORKSHOP:** 71 Herman Avenue: 766-2854 [www.picw.org](http://www.picw.org)



The PICW will be closed Friday, August 31<sup>st</sup> for a staff in-service day

The PICW will also be closed Monday, September 3<sup>rd</sup> for Labor Day

We are accepting applications for the fall session, ages 6 weeks to 5 years!

Join us on August 19<sup>th</sup> at TEIA for our first annual summer soiree

## ONE ENCHANTED EVENING

It will be a dress-up evening with hors d'oeuvres, dinner, desert and musical entertainment by Jenn McLeod and her guests. Faith York will be playing piano during cocktail hour on the porch at 5:30, and there will be a cash bar.

Tickets are \$ 40.00 each, and jacket and ties most definitely are not required.

The Board of the PICW is always open to suggestions and communication from the community. Please contact us through Board Chair, Christina Foster, at 221-3445 or [cmfisc@hotmail.com](mailto:cmfisc@hotmail.com).



## The Peaks Island Music Association

The Peaks Island Music Association continues its 2012 Summer Concert Series.

- **August 8: Island Musicians in Concert:** our most popular concert: a diverse group of performers – young and old and in-between, from vocal soloists to instrumental ensembles. Performers will offer selections from a variety of styles, including traditional, jazz, blues, Broadway, art songs, folk, and classical.
- **August 22: The Peaks Island Chorale, in “Sea Stories.”** Our own 20+ voice multi-generational community chorus, joined by some special musical guests, brings a concert of both accompanied and a cappella pieces telling stories of the sea. The program will feature music from the Classical era to the 21<sup>st</sup> century, including folk songs and sea shanties, and works by Mozart, Beethoven, Vaughan Williams, Billings, Barnby, Menken, Resnick/Young, and MacGillivray. The 2012 Barbara Goelman Music Scholarship will be awarded this evening.

All concerts are at the Fifth Maine, 8:00 pm. \$5.00 donation at the door.

## *PEALS ISLAND LIONS CLUB*

### Lions Club 63rd Annual Variety Show at Greenwood Gardens

The 63rd Annual Variety Show will be held Monday and Tuesday evenings beginning at 7 PM on August 6th and 7th. Cost is \$5 for adults and \$2 for children. If you or your children wish to perform in the show, contact Bill Hinderer at 766-2636 or Kevin Attra at 650-3016

### New Members Needed

The Peaks Island Lions Club is in need of additional members. Many of our members have moved on. Come ladies and gentlemen and join us for fun and camaraderie while raising funds for Island scholarships, Island charities and services for the blind.

### Lions Club Scholarships

Peaks Island residents and children of Peaks Island Lions members who are currently attending or expect to matriculate in a career school or college for the fall semester should submit a written scholarship request to the Chairman of the Scholarship Committee, Peaks Island Lions Club, P.O. Box 102, Peaks Island, ME 04108 to be eligible for a Lions Scholarship for the 2012-13 school year.

Your letter must be received by **September 15<sup>th</sup>** and should state your expected field of study and the school that you will be attending. Your intent to volunteer for Peaks Island Lions fundraising events (bakes, pancake breakfasts, rentals), community activities (Halloween Party, Variety Show, Holiday Party, Lions Road Race) and for grounds maintenance and repair should also be included in your request.

## ***Brackett Memorial United Methodist Church***

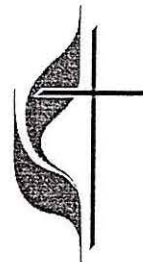
*Open Hearts, Open Doors, Open Minds*

*We are a Welcoming, Inclusive, Reconciling Congregation*

9 Church Street, Peaks Island, Maine.

Pastor: Rev. Angela Tarbox; 207-766-5013; Admin.Asst. Mavourneen Thompson

[www.brackettmumc.org](http://www.brackettmumc.org)



### **Worship**

Sunday Morning Worship with our pastor, Reverend Angela Tarbox. 10a., w/childcare and followed by informal fellowship gathering in the church hall.

Taize Service Wednesday, August 1st and 15th, 6:05-6:35p., at Brackett Church. Call church office for more information.

### **Meetings and Activities**

Scripture Study Tuesdays, 8:30-10a. Call Beth Childs at 766-2431 for info re place. All are welcome!

Prayer Shawl Ministry Tuesdays, 12:30-2:30 p. Call Emily Sherwood for info re place. All are welcome!

### **Mission**

Peaks Island Food Pantry at Brackett Church Mondays, 3:30-5p; Thursdays, 9:30-11a.

## **St. Christopher's Catholic Church**

**Rector: Father Louis Phillips 773-7746**

**Summer Mass Schedule includes 4 PM Mass Saturdays and 10:00 AM Sundays as well as a 9 AM Mass on Wednesdays thru Labor Day. All are invited and details are on-line at [www.cluster21portland.org](http://www.cluster21portland.org).**

**Information: Baptism, Reconciliation & Marriage: Call Father Lou.**

**Annual Parish Fair: Thanks for everyone who made our Annual Parish Fair such an outstanding a success in July!**

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## **Peaks Island Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)**

**The Peaks Island CERT encourages everyone to plan for emergencies. Stockpiling food and water for at least three days will help during outages. Also, all Island homes should have visible house numbers to assist emergency responders.**

**For more information, call Albert Bleau at 766-0007 or 781-962-2662.**

## **LORETTA VOYER FUND**

The Loretta Voyer Fund provides transportation needs for Peaks islanders who are undergoing aggressive therapy for cancer and other life limiting diseases. Please contact a LVF board member for detailed information. Judy Piawlock, Jerry Garman, Melissa Conrad, Kathy McCarthy, Jan Thomas, Suellen Roberts. 354 Seashore Avenue. 766-2161. [sbwatersedge@earthlink.net](mailto:sbwatersedge@earthlink.net)



The Peaks Island Community Food Pantry  
We are housed in the Brackett Memorial Church and are open:  
Mondays — 3:30–5pm and Thursdays — 9:30-11am

Calling all islanders! Please help us stock the food pantry for the winter by dropping off un-opened, non-perishable food and toiletry items at our **Second Annual Labor Day Food Drive**. We'll have a table at the top of Welch Street on **Saturday, September 1<sup>st</sup>**, from 8am-1pm. For summer residents who are cleaning out kitchen shelves, please consider donating surplus unopened, non-perishable food and toiletry items to the Peaks Island Food Pantry, either at the food drive or in the collection box at the Douglas MacVane Community Center – aka the library.

**Our current needs are: Canned ravioli or sloppy joes, single serve microwavable meals, peanut butter, grape jelly, canned chicken or ham, tuna fish, baked beans, pasta sauce, boxes of cereal, and coffee.**

Cash donations are especially helpful as it allows us to provide clients with \$10 Hannigan's vouchers for fresh fruit, vegetables, bakery, dairy and meat items. **You can now make checks out directly to: Peaks Island Food Pantry.** Please call Susan Hanley, 766-2735, for more information, to request food drop off, to volunteer at the food drive, or to arrange donation pick up.

Thank you for your ongoing support!!

### HOLY TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHAPEL

Holy Trinity Episcopal Chapel summer Eucharistic services at St. Christopher's Roman Catholic Church at 8:30 AM.

The priests will be as follows:

The Reverend Robert Hooper III from West Hartford, CT – August 5 & August 12

The Reverend Bob Stuhlmann from Burlington VT - August 19th

The Reverend David Illingworth from Portland ME. – August 26<sup>th</sup>

For more information call Sarah Alechnowicz –(850) 207-9575 or Mary Haeger – 766-3376.

All are welcome. Please join us for worship and fellowship.

### SENIOR LUNCHEON NEWS

Our next potluck lunch will be held at noon on Monday, August 13<sup>th</sup> at the 5<sup>th</sup> Maine Regiment lower level dining area. We have invited, Angela Tarbox, the new pastor of BMMC to join us for lunch. Please come and welcome her. All Seniors are welcome! If you don't consider yourself a Senior, come anyway!!



## AUGUST ACTIVITIES on PEAKS ISLAND

Sponsored by Portland Recreation and Facilities Management

To reserve space and/or equipment in the community building, you must contact Denise (766-2970 or [dln@portlandmaine.gov](mailto:dln@portlandmaine.gov)) at least two days in advance. Please plan ahead as Denise works part-time on the island - Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays. You may check the facility schedule on-line (<http://www.portlandmaine.gov/rec/peaksislandcc.asp>) but you still need to contact Denise to reserve space.

**BLOOD DRIVE AT CBL TERMINAL – TUESDAY, AUGUST 14 from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm**  
To make an appointment, please call 1-800-RED-CROSS or log on to [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org)

### FIRST MONDAY FUN (preschoolers and adults)

Monday, August 6 11:00 am–12:00 noon (com.rm)  
Have summer-time fun with your little ones: music and crafts

### GARDEN SERIES: SHARING RECIPES

Monday, August 6 1:00 – 2:00 pm (com room)  
Join Master Gardener Justin Palmer as he shares recipes he will be putting in his new cookbook! Bring your own favorite recipes too. Everyone welcome. Pre-registration not required.

### THURSDAYS at the GARDEN – BYO PICNIC

August 2, 9, 16, and 23 (from approx. 11:30am - 12:30pm)  
BYO picnic lunch and enjoy the beauty of the community garden. See the unique waist-high raised beds with its Earth Boxes. Everyone welcome - meet at Trott-Littlejohn Park.

### MOVIE: *HUGO* (PG - 126 minutes)

Thursday, August 16 1:30 pm in community room  
Set in 1930's Paris, an orphaned boy secretly lives in the walls of a busy train station & looks after the clocks. See his mystery adventure when he attempts to repair a mechanical man.

### ON-GOING EXERCISE PROGRAMS – ADULTS MONDAYS and THURSDAYS:

Morning Walking Group – meet at com. rm. at 8:30 am  
Low-Impact Aerobics w/ Weights - 9:30 to 10:30 am (com. rm.)

### PING PONG (adults) – Community Room

Tuesdays – 2:00 to 4:00 pm AND Wednesdays – 10:00 am

### SPECIAL FRIDAY “OPEN HOUSE” FUN for ALL

Stop by the com. rm. anytime from 11 to 1:30- fun for all!

Please check bulletin boards for items that are needed.

Friday, August 3 Make your own ice cream

Friday, August 10 Games: Board, card and more

Friday, August 17 Root Beer Float Day

Friday, August 24 Old-Fashion Music & Sing-a-Long

Sing-a-long will be from 11:00 – 11:30 am. All welcome!

### KNITTING & CHATTING LUNCH (BYO)

Monday, August 20 10:45 am – 12:45 pm (com. rm.)

We continue with our knitting (or crocheting) for charity – hats and scarves needed. All ages are welcome – supplies available but no formal lessons given. Yarn donations always accepted. This project will continue through early December.

### “MYSTERY” TEA on PEAKS ISLAND

Monday, August 20 1:00 pm – meet at com. rm.

Enjoy an hour of socializing at a “mystery” island location. Pre-registration required as space is limited. Drivers needed.

### OFF-ISLAND SHOPPING TRIP

Monday, August 27 12:45 pm boat/4:30 pm return

Bargain hunt at the Christmas Tree Shop and Marden's. Pre-registration required. Min. is 7. Van transportation fee is \$4.



### Saturday Night Movies in August



Free in the Community Room – Sponsored by the Friends of the Peaks Island Library

Aug	6 PM	Aug	8 PM
4	<i>Despicable Me</i> (2010) PG, 95 min	4	<i>Jeff Who Lives at Home</i> (2012) R, 83 min
11	<i>School of Rock</i> (2003) PG-13, 109 min	11	<i>Persepolis</i> (2007) PG-13, 95 min
18	<i>Night at the Museum: Battle of the Smithsonian</i> (2009) PG, 105 min	18	<i>The Illusionist</i> (2010) PG, 80 min
25	<i>Up</i> (2009) PG, 96 min	25	<i>Once</i> (2007) R, 86 min

**DEADLINE FOR NEXT MONTH'S STAR:** Saturday, August 25, by 6 pm. Bring articles, copy ready, to the library. You may put them in the Book Return or under the door when the library is closed. **THANK YOU** to an anonymous donor for a generous donation to the STAR.